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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE – November – December 4<sup>th</sup> 2004****“Santa Paws Day”**

***San Bernardino, CA*** -- On **Saturday, December 4, 2004** the San Bernardino County Animal Care & Control (SBCACC) Program in conjunction with the Animals aRe First Fund (ARFF), a 501 (c) 3 non-profit organization that supports SBCACC, will be hosting their **1<sup>st</sup> Annual “Santa Paws Day”** at their **Rancho Cucamonga Animal Shelter** facility.

**Santa will stop by the shelter from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.** for winter wonderland **photo opportunities** that will be available for a **\$5.00 donation** to ARFF. The shelter’s Junior Helpers (ages 10-14) and Junior Volunteers (ages 15-17) have made holiday photo frames for all purchased photographs. In addition, they have designed the backdrop for the photo area and made stockings for all of the available animal’s cages, which can be filled with goodies by visitors. So bring the whole family to the shelter to show your support! The shelter is located at 11780 Arrow Route in Rancho Cucamonga.

For more information, please call the San Bernardino County Animal Care & Control Program toll free at **1-800-472-5609**. If you are looking to adopt a new pet make sure you visit their website at [www.sbcounty.gov/acc](http://www.sbcounty.gov/acc) to see all of the animals that are just waiting to find a new family to celebrate the holidays with! Thank you!

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